

## Home and Abroad

## LATEST TIDINGS FROM SPORTS LAND

Edited by Wagner

## JOHNSTON OF FEDS BOUGHT BY BROOKLYN

New York, Jan. 21.—The visit of Charley Ebbets to Harry Sinclair's second street baseball emporium on Wednesday afternoon, evidently brought about the purchase of the Oakland club in the event that Johnston would be returned to that club.

Johnston is a Federal leaguer who never played in the Fed's, as he did not jump until the 1915 season was over. Then he signed a three-year contract with Newark and accepted a \$1,000 bonus. That made him eligible to play in the National League.

Ebbets has been after Johnston ever since he visited the Coast last fall, where he heard much of the young man's prowess in the Native Son country. He had already closed at the Oakland club in the event that Johnston would be returned to that club.

Judged by his performance in the Coast league, Johnston is a diamond of the second rank, but if you look over his averages with the Cubs in 1914 he doesn't amount to much. Ebbets, however, is buying Johnston on his Coast showing, and with the hope that his great work last season will give him renewed assurance.

Johnston first jumped into the limelight in 1914, when he stole 124 bases with San Francisco, though he did it in 24 games. The Cubs won the player that fall, and had to bid against the Fed's for his services.

Johnston, however, proved a big disappointment in Chicago, and after playing regularly for about three weeks was sent to the bench.

He finished the season doing odd pinch-running jobs. In 51 games he stole only three bases.

Last season, with Oakland, Johnston played the best ball of his career, hitting .342 over a stretch of 208 games and stealing 22 bases.

## LANNIN CONCLUDES NOT TO SELL HIS PROVIDENCE CLUB

Boston, Jan. 21.—J. J. Lannin has decided not to sell the Providence club at present. He says he will hold it this year anyway. "Daff" Gammons, the old Brown football star, came up from Providence yesterday prepared to buy the club, but was told that the owner of the Grays was inclined to hold on.

Providence fans were lukewarm toward the Grays last year. They suspected Lannin of favoring the club, in which he was also interested, over Providence. They hailed the prospect of "local ownership" with interest.

However, Lannin has convinced leading Providence fans that he gave the Grays all possible support and encouragement during the stormy war times, and he is now so much encouraged over the 1916 outlook that he has decided to hold on, and Gammons was so informed yesterday.

## HAUGHTON NEEDS CHANGE OF STYLE TO ENTUSE FANS

Boston, Jan. 21.—Percy Haughton, Harvard football coach, who has become part owner of the Boston Braves and is president, will need to change some of his mannerisms, and get along well as a baseball manager.

Haughton ruled like a czar in Harvard football affairs and was "upstage" in his treatment of outsiders. In baseball he will find that there are others who have something to say about the conduct of affairs, also that he will be largely dependent upon outsiders, especially newspaper men, for the success of his business.

Haughton refused to follow the lead of other college officials in placing numbers on football players, to give spectators a chance to know who was who on the field.

It is said that when the Harvard coach was told the public demanded that players be numbered, he remarked: "I don't give a rap for the public. I don't care who knows who is who on the field."

Haughton has had a reputation in college football, but he will have to pay a little attention to the public if he expects to make a go of it in baseball. Newspapermen have found Haughton hard to approach. It is even said of him that many times he even refused to talk with Boston sport writers, saying that he talked with one he would have to talk with all of them and surely that would be a bore.

Men who were in baseball long before Haughton have found that the game wouldn't have a chance in the world to live without the free publicity it gets, and that it is wise to be at least civil in the treatment of newspaper writers.

Haughton in charge of a club Jim Gaffney turned from a talented financial into a pennant winning financial success. He will be a big boost to the game if he can be as successful in the diamond sport as he was in football.

## WILL DISCUSS CITY MANAGER PLAN FOR MUNICIPALITIES

The city manager plan for the government of cities will be discussed at a banquet to be held at the Hotel Belmont on Jan. 26, under the auspices of the Civic Federation of New Haven. Attorney Henry A. Toulmin, Jr., who aided in the establishment of the city manager plan at Dayton, O., will be the principal speaker. A number of Bridgeport officials have been invited to attend.

THE LYFORD BROTHERS BUY  
O LINTON LABEL PANTS  
E East Side and West End

## CASSIGNOL, GREAT FRENCH BILLIARD PLAYER, NOW IN THIS COUNTRY LOOKING FOR HONORS



New York, Jan. 20.—Firmin Cassignol, the French billiard expert, who is one of the best players that the game has produced, has planned to exhibit his skill in at least 100 big cities. He recently arrived from France, where he has been playing for some time, and it is expected that the latter will play Hoppe either in a handicap tournament or in match competition. Cassignol is believed to be the one billiard player in the world who has the skill to offer close competition to the champion. There is, however, little possibility that here will be a championship game between the two, for Hoppe has by his wonderful consistent display of many the American rivals won absolute possession of all the billiard trophies. So there might be a championship match another emblem would have to be put in competition, which could only be offered the first time in tournament play. Cassignol has made three trips to this country, the last a year ago, and he went back to France then because of the war and before he had played many games. In France Cassignol is venerated to be the premier player, just as Hoppe is in this country. He holds the academy record of 593 at the 18.2 game which compares favorably with the record held by Hoppe in this country of 622.

## SPORT TALK

HANDED OUT BY WAGNER

## Canavan Gets New Backer.

Jimmy Canavan, the old time Detroit scout, notified President O'Rourke of the Eastern association today that he had secured another backer for the New Haven franchise in the Eastern. The merger men made a desperate effort to keep the Eastern organization by inducing the East Shore Amusement Co. to withdraw its support from Canavan. They also tried to get an option on Hampton park in Springfield over the head of the Eastern officials. It is understood that Gene McCann and Dan O'Neill tried to put over this deal but failed. The Eastern forces held out in Springfield and before the National association committee in New York next Monday.

Springfield and Hartford papers have been spreading various reports that O'Rourke was ready to resign his position as president of the Eastern. When seen this morning O'Rourke admitted that he had offered his resignation several weeks ago. "I was ready to sacrifice myself," he declared. "I would protect my association, who have been so loyal to me. I did offer to resign at the time Clarkin, Carey and the Cameron heirs were offered their old franchises in the Eastern. I thought I would not stand in the way of these people taking the franchises but my invitation was not accepted."

O'Rourke would not say whether his resignation would be offered at a future date.

Roger Brennan is still in the dark regarding his future in baseball. Of course the new owner of the Cubs will have to make good on Brennan's two year contract but Brennan has not yet made up his mind whether he wants to fight to retain his position.

## RENNSELAER TO HAVE GOOD BASKETBALL FIVE

Troy, N. Y., Jan. 21.—The Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute five which plays the St. Lawrence University quintet here tomorrow, is making up in part for the poor showing of the Cherry and White football eleven on the gridiron last fall, and although the schedule of games is only half played, it looks as if Rensselaer will have one of the most successful basketball seasons in many years.

Thus far the team has won its home games and has only been defeated twice by one and two points. Coach Fountain has been assisted all this week by "Pete" Lamb, a member of the old world championship "T" Company team at Schenectady in 1905, and one of the best forwards the institute ever had.

Hard scrimmages have been on the schedule of practice for the last few days and there is no reason why Rensselaer should not keep up the pace they have set in their game with St. Lawrence this Saturday. McCann, who has been out of practice due to a lame back, is back on the floor and the team should be in the pink of condition for the St. Lawrence game.

Capt. Howard will probably play

his job as manager of the Cubs. Nothing has been heard in the last few days about his plan for buying the Toledo club.

A story is told of Bill Byron, the National league umpire who gained fame by singing as he makes decisions. During a game last season a batter started to swing at a bad one but pulled back in time. The pitcher looked and Byron wanted "They're intended to a full swing in this league."

Manager Leavy of the Blue Ribbons, was unable to get the Jasper team to play basketball yesterday. Tuesday night's basketball contest so he has signed the Jersey City club of the Interstate league. This team appeared here earlier in the season. It was a scrappy contest marked by two fights between Chief Muller and Walter Swenson.

Emmett Heidrick, a former St. Louis Brown outfielder, died yesterday in Clinton, Pa. He was one of the best outfielders in the game from 1898 to 1904. He started with Paterston, N. J., and later played with Cleveland before joining St. Louis.

The St. Louis Browns have sent infielder Bobby Vaughn to Portland of the Coast league. Outfielder Del Drake will also be transferred to Portland by the Browns. Manager Jones is a resident of Oregon and has made a deal to ship his surplus players to Portland.

Pitcher Fred Anderson, for whose release the Giants are said to have paid \$10,000 to Sinclair, is no infant in arms. He played with the Worcester and Brockton clubs and had a win in the way of the Boston Braves. It was not until he jumped to Buffalo that he showed much ability.

right forward, with McManus at the other wing and Skinner, Goodell, O'Hara and End will be interchanged in the guard position. Woolsey will play at center, while Haeffel, Ewing and MacDonald are expected to go on the floor in the second half.

## ST. CHARLES HOLDING 1ST PLACE IN HOLY NAME

There were two games in the Holy Name Basketball league last night. St. John's are still holding down second place by defeating the St. Mary's in a well played game by 20 to 16.

Liptak played a great game for the winners while Snyder, Whelan and Malone were the stars for the St. Mary's. Goals, Lucas 2, Gartland 1, Greely 1, Liptak 3, Whelan 2, Malone 2, Snyder 3, Casserly 1, Poul goals, Liptak 4, Snyder 1, Whelan 1.

St. Charles defeated the Hearts in a one-sided game 24 to 2 and by so doing held on to first place. Christy and McCarthy played a fine game for the Hearts.

Dancing was enjoyed by the large crowd.

Joe Waters refereed his usual good game. Goals, McCarthy 4, Christy 5, Ahearn 1. Foul goals, Hulton 2, Dennis 1. Ahearn 2, Morrison 1.

## GEORGE CHIP HANDS MCCOY BAD TRIMMING

New York, Jan. 21.—George Chip, the Newcastle miner, failed to win back his middleweight title at the Broadway Sporting club in Brooklyn last night, but he gave Al McCoy such a beating that the champion will carry visible marks of the scrap for several days to come.

Chip fairly slaughtered the champion with hooks, jabs, swings and uppercuts in every round, and it was only McCoy's ability to run and clinch that saved him from being knocked out.

McCoy made a sorrowful showing for a champion and when he let the ring he was hardly able to walk. Chip went after him right from the start and came nearly winning the bout in the third round. In this session McCoy came near knocking out Chip with a left hand swing to the jaw as he did two years ago.

The third round opened with Chip rushing out of the corner and jamming his right to McCoy's face. This was followed by two hard lefts that carried plenty of force behind them. McCoy wavered and Chip let fly a right. The blow crashed against Alf's jaw with a resounding thud, and the big crowd leaped to its feet as the champion began to fall. McCoy took the count of four and then got up. Chip staggered McCoy with rights and lefts to face and it looked like curbing for the champion.

But as Chip rushed again, McCoy electrified the crowd by nailing the miner on the jaw with his left. Chip staggered for a second and then fell to the floor. To the crowd it looked as if Chip was out. But he gamely arose at the count of three and resumed his work of making a punching bag of McCoy. In the remaining rounds McCoy spent most of his time holding on, with Chip trying desperately to win by a knockout.

## BOXING IN IRELAND OVER 5,000 YEARS AGO

Many historic writers have claimed that boxing, or the manly art of self-defense, originated in ancient Greece some 2,000 years ago. That is, the Greeks, the Romans, the Athenians, who first conceived the art of boxing bouts and formed the first real ring rules for the fistie sport, says Jack Skelley of Yonkers.

Sober and serious as all the highbrow historians overlook the ancient Gaelic books so carefully stored away as treasures in Trinity college, Dublin. There are many of them and they go back to the time of a popular and very strenuous sport on the little green isle over 5,000 years ago. Long before Greece or Rome had thought of having contests between their warriors, the Irish in their popular and famous battling arenas.

The "Book of Leinster," compiled from a manuscript about, without going into the other volumes, fully proves my claim—that Ireland was the first country in the world to originate and conduct civilized, skillful boxing, and that the Irish were the first to have a boxing ring. The Irish monarchs were Cormac Urdak, who flourished about the middle of the third century. To his munificence was due the building of the great stone circle, which was the site of the three academies at Tara, in the first of which the science of war was taught. Young, gallant, game men fought for the crown of the king, and he often had them exhibit their physical prowess before him in wrestling and boxing bouts, as an amusement.

Cormac himself must have been some fighter, indeed, for in defending his province from a rebellious attack, he incurred the loss of an eye. According to the Irish legends, he was found to retire from the king, the country, no one could retain possession of the throne who was marked with any personal blemish, so poor Cormac was thereby disqualified and retired to the mountains. He died in those old days in Ireland.

Towards the close of the eighth century, Ireland was invaded by the Danes, who continued to hold possession of the chief maritime towns for more than 200 years. During this period an almost uninterrupted series of wars existed between the natives and the invaders, and many a battling Dane, like my old friend, Ned, was found to retire from the king, the country, no one could retain possession of the throne who was marked with any personal blemish, so poor Cormac was thereby disqualified and retired to the mountains. He died in those old days in Ireland.

It was our brave battles, Brian Boru, the King of Ireland in 1014, who collected his small forces and fought the Danes off Irish soil into the sea, with immense slaughter. This was the great battle of Clontarf, which proved the gallant Irish fighting spirit and bravery, even against a larger opposing army, still existed among the brave Celts.

Although brave Dan Donnelly has been dead almost a hundred years, his valiant deeds of glory in the ring are fresh in our memories. For it was the gallant Dan who defeated the great Tom Oliver, the champion of all England, on the Curragh of Kildare, and after this decisive battle Donnelly invaded England and defeated the great Tom Oliver and all other Britishers whom he could induce to meet him.

We often read about Bob Fitzsimmons' wonderful victories over big, heavy men, which he won by a middleweight but we should not overlook game Jack Randall, "The Prime Irish Lad," who went to England when only a lightweight and conquered such underweights as "West Country Dick" Belasco, the Jew (not the actor-actor of today); Jack Turner, Deaf Burke and all other contenders. Nor should we forget the courageous Jack Langran, nor Ned O'Kallahan, nor Joe Coburn, former heavyweight champion of America; nor John Morrissey, who also held that title; nor Jim Dunn, another champion, nor gallant Jack Dempsey, nor Jack McAuliffe; like O'Neill Weir, the Belfast Spider; Tom Sharkey, Dave and Spike Sullivan, Jim Coffey, Peter Maher, George Gardner, and a whole bunch of others who first saw the light of day on the Emerald Isle.

## TWO PACIFIC COAST CREWS MAY ENTER POUGHKEEPSIE RACE Stanford University Also Planning To Send Track Team To Intercollegiate Meet.

New York, Jan. 21.—With the selection of a date for the intercollegiate regatta to be made at the meeting of the Board of Stewards today the principal college rowing races of the coming season will have been formally scheduled. Three dates have been tentatively named for the Poughkeepsie regatta and it is thought that the stewards will definitely decide upon either June 17, 24, or July 1 at the coming conference.

Tidal conditions and college examination dates conflict badly this year and it has proved a hard proposition to date a regatta on a day which is convenient and satisfactory to all the colleges which annually compete in this regatta. Especial care is required since one and possibly two of the Pacific Coast college crews will be invited to race on the Hudson against Cornell, Columbia, Syracuse and Pennsylvania.

Leland Stanford University which sent such a remarkable eight to Poughkeepsie last season where it finished second to Cornell, has already been informally invited to return for the 1916 races. If Stanford should be defeated in the three mile race at Oakland, Cal., on April 3, by either Washington or California it would be necessary to extend the invitation to the winning crew as well as Stanford. The latter eight, which is almost intact, made a great hit at Poughkeepsie last June and the regatta authorities are desirous that the brawny carmen from Palo Alto return to the Hudson this year. The eight was defeated in a close race in the Pacific Coast contest it is quite likely that there would be two far western eights instead of one on the Hudson, and a favorable date is selected for the regatta.

Aside from the uncertainty of the date for this event, the schedule for the leading dual, triangular and so-called championship races is as follows:

April 8, Saturday, Pacific Coast Intercollegiate regatta, Oakland, Cal.  
April 20, Thursday, Princeton vs. Harvard, Princeton, N. J.  
April 21, Thursday, Pennsylvania vs. Yale, Philadelphia.  
May 6, Saturday, Pennsylvania vs. Navy, Annapolis, Md.  
May 13, Saturday, American Hon-

## England Has Had No Good Big Boxers in 25 Years

Where are the good big boxers of England—the modern successors of those valiant bruisers whose fists were the most deadly in the world? Gone, they are, and the English are left with the featherweights. Today is the fifty-third birthday of the last English champion under prize ring rules, Jim Smith, who was born in London on Jan. 21, 1863. He was about 6 feet 6 inches tall, weighed 180 pounds, and stood only 5 feet 8 inches, and his ring career was not so glorious as that of his own countryman, Tom Sayers, who was a middleweight, although he won the big title, and so was Jim Magee, Bob Fitzsimmons, who was English by birth, and Charlie Mitchell, who held his own against the mighty American heavyweights. Bombardier Wells and a few others have sought to restore the faded glories of the British heavyweight division, but all have miserably failed.

Jim Smith, the last of the real heavyweights of England to have any standing in the pugilistic world, spent his youth in a London timber yard, where the work was of such a character as to give him a fine muscular development. In fact, the enormous muscular development of his arms became a distinct disadvantage, slowing him up to such a point that against a lighter opponent he was unable to land his really terrible punch. His success as a rough-and-tumble fighter attracted the attention of Jack Knifton, an English fighter known as the "Eighty-one Tonner," who took him under his wing. Later he was taken over by the veteran Goode, who found for him several minor matches. Among his victims were Wolf Bendorff and Jack Wainwright. In 1885 Jim fought Jack Davis with the raw "under" for the championship of England, and won by a knockout. Jim then went over to France to fight Alf Greenfield, who had twice been defeated by John L. Sullivan in America, but it ended in a free-for-all battle. In 1887 he again visited France, this time to meet Jake Kilrain for the championship of the world. They fought 106 rounds to a draw, when darkness ended the contest. In 1889 Smith was defeated by Peter Jackson, the Australian negro, in London, and fought a draw with Paddy Slavin, another big Australian, in Belgium. The latter fight was a disgraceful affair, owing to the actions of the mob.

After a few unimportant contests, Jim Smith rounded out his career twenty years ago by fighting Dan Creedon, the Australian middleweight in London. Dan, who was well known on this side of the Atlantic, and who had been defeated by Fitzsimmons and was afterward whipped by Mike McCoy, Joe Wolcott, Jack Root, Marvin Hart, Al Welton and others, found the big Britisher easy prey. It was a pathetic finish to the career of England's last heavyweight champion. Creedon slugged him on the chin in the first round, and Jim went down flat as a pancake. He managed to stall through the first chapter, but in the second round the Australian landed another punch to the chin that put poor old Jim to sleep. The referee counted ten, but Jim didn't stir.

ley, Philadelphia, Pa.  
May 20, Saturday, Harvard vs. Cornell, Boston, Mass.  
May 20, Saturday, Navy vs. Syracuse, Annapolis, Md.  
May 27, Saturday, Yale vs. Princeton and Cornell, Ithaca, N. Y.  
June 23, Friday, Yale vs. Harvard, New London, Conn.

In addition to sending its crew to the intercollegiate regatta, Stanford is planning to enter a track and field team in the intercollegiate championship to be held, in all probability, at Harvard on May 28. Stanford is proposed to send the California college cinder stars east a week or ten days in advance of these games and it is likely to hold their own in a typical dual track meets with leading eastern universities before the championship games. The traveling and lodging expenses of the crew and track teams will cost at least \$8,000, so that it can be seen that Stanford has mapped out an ambitious and expensive invasion of eastern sports fields for the coming season.

Stanford, however, is not the only far western university which believes that its athletes can hold their own with the best of the east. Intercollegiate track, football and crew contests are becoming more frequent each year and the authorities are encouraging these meetings as far as possible within reason. The eagerness of the Pacific Coast collegians to come to athletic grips with their older eastern rivals is shown in both speech and action and their faith in their ability to hold their own is typified in a statement made recently on the subject when a prominent Pacific Coast authority said:

"Just a few years ago athletics in the big colleges on the West were just absorbing. The colleges were comparatively new, and up to that time so much attention had to be paid to providing the proper courses of book learning that athletic activities were neglected. But the Western athletes have come to the front with a rush, they have developed in every department in a remarkable way, and their rank as the equals of the best in the East in football, baseball, track or rowing."

## WEEGHMAN CLOSES DEAL FOR CHICAGO NATIONALS FINALLY

Chicago, Jan. 21.—The Chicago National league baseball club is now the property of Charles W. Weeghman and his associates. The official transfer was made yesterday afternoon at the "Exchange National bank, where Weeghman presented to Assistant Cashier Wakefield a check for \$500,000 and in return received the entire stock controlled by Charles P. Taft of Cincinnati.

After the formal transfer of the club was made the men entered into the deal retired to the Cub office, where the officers of the old organization resigned. Thomas handed in his resignation as president and Schmalz as secretary. Officers for the new team will be chosen later. It was learned from a trustworthy source that Weeghman is "back" to the city of president. That "Weeghman didn't need financial aid from the National league to swing the deal was admitted by President Tenor yesterday.

The league agreed to help Weeghman if he needed aid," said the National league chief.

## B. H. S. FIVE TO PLAY NAUGATUCK TOMORROW

A badly crippled B. H. S. team journeyed to Cheshire, Thursday, and weighed them about 20 pounds to a man. However, outside of the fact that they were beaten, they were treated royally by the Cheshire men. They expect to break their losing streak tomorrow when they play the Naugatuck High School. Ever since the new year Manager Green has had to put in a crippled team. The necessity of using substitutes has, however, shown up some new material. Big Bill Gatto is the latest hope of the team and it is expected that after his fine showing in Cheshire Coach Noble will put him into the game tomorrow. Dancing will follow the game and a preliminary between two girls' teams will precede it.

## SNODGRASS DECLARES WILHOIT, NEW BRVES' OUTFIELDER, IS STAR

New York, Jan. 21.—If Joe Wilhoit, a Pacific Coast Leaguer, bought by the Braves last season, makes good next year, Fred Snodgrass, the former Giant, now with the Braves, will be eligible for the Grand Lodge of Baseball Scouts. Snodgrass sang the praises of Wilhoit so loudly to former President Gaffney, and staked his reputation on Wilhoit making good, that Gaffney bought him. Snodgrass personally signed the youngster to a three-year contract on his return to California last fall.

At present Wilhoit is a prominent candidate for a regular post in the Brave outfield, and may play next to his champion. Wilhoit is a big man, 6 feet 2 1/2 inches tall, weighing 190 pounds, and he hit .324 playing for Venice in the Coast League last season.

He is a very fast runner, and during his college days at De Paul University in Chicago won an intercollegiate 100 yard event in 10 1/5 seconds, and on the same afternoon won the 120 yard high hurdles in 16 2/5 seconds.

Wilhoit is a civil engineer when not playing baseball, and makes his home at Calexico, Cal. He is 24 years old.

## \$50,000 BID FOR BIG BOUT IN PHILADELPHIA

New York, Jan. 21.—"Philadelphia Jack" O'Brien came over from Philadelphia yesterday and put in a bid for the William-Moran fight. Jack declared that he was willing to give \$50,000 for a six-round bout. The mill could be staged either indoors or in the open any time between now and May 30. John brought along a certified check for \$10,000 which he was willing to post with "Pomposy Bob" Vernon.

Jack Curley, one of Willard's managers, turned down Jack's offer. He declared that he (Curley) would stage the fight himself and that it would be held either April 18 or 19 right here in New York.

Jack returned to Philadelphia with the \$10,000. He made everybody promise that they wouldn't tell about him having the \$10,000 until the train had pulled out of the station.

Even if Rickard and McCracken fail to get the pugilistic prize event, Doran will insist that the bids for the fight again be opened.

## BRITTON WINNER OVER TED LEWIS

Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 21.—In a fast 10-round bout here last night Jack Britton outfought and outpunched Ted Lewis of England. Britton was in great shape and he jabbed and hooked Lewis all night. Lewis kept running away although now and then he jumped in with right hand swings. A few of them he landed, but Britton easily avoided the dangerous ones. The fans here wonder how Jack lost a decision to Lewis. Britton was immediately matched with K. O. Brennan for Feb. 10.

## ZBYSZKO THROWS BIG IRSA EASLY

New York, Jan. 21.—Wladek Zbyszko downed Anton Irsa in 55 minutes and 38 seconds of wrestling at the Manhattan Opera house last night. Irsa put up a game contest, but he was unable to withstand the strength of his adversary. Zbyszko was originally scheduled to wrestle Stranger Lewis, but Lewis said that he had injured his shoulder in the gymnasium. Josef Hetmanek, manager of Joe Stuchlik, the Nebraska wrestler, who matched to wrestle Zbyszko at Madison Square Garden, next Thursday night, accompanied by Harry Pollock and Jack Curley, promoters of the match, attended last night's show with the intention of calling off the match in the event of Lewis defeating Zbyszko. When this was told to Lewis he announced that he had strained his shoulder and would be unable to meet Zbyszko.

## TWO CONTESTS AMONG OZANAM CLUB MEMBERS

The Ozanam club basketball players will have two games at St. Joseph's hall tonight. The players are requested to meet at the club rooms at 7:30. The line up will be:

St. Joseph's	Wm. Garrity, Capt.
Hulton, Capt.	A. Myers
J. Nelson	F. McCarthy
T. Luddy	English
Smillings	Belton
W. McGoey	W. Winters

Catholic Univ. Notre Dame, Capt. A. Allen, Capt. T. Martin, Capt. A. Liddy, T. Nugent, J. McGuire, Hamilton, J. Cummings, Linehan, D. Bowden, F. Cook, S. Curran

The club team composed of Martin, Garrity, Malone, Whelan and Luddy will go to Westport soon for a game.

Frank Tighe is organizing an orchestra among the club members. The club roster are five pianists, two drummers, three violinists and a banjo-mandolin player.

## ANNIVERSARIES OF RING BATTLES

1833.—Johnny Summers, former welterweight champion of Great Britain, born at Custom House, Eng. Johnny volunteered early in the war and is now Corporal Summers. During his long ring career, which started in Australia in 1900, Summers campaigned in three continents. He came to America in 1907, when he was a lightweight, and fought many battles in New York, Boston, New Haven, Baltimore and other cities. He was the victor in a majority of his American contests, but lost decisions to Matty Baldwin and Bert Keyes. On his return to England he fought three battles with Jimmy Britt, the Californian winning the first, Summers the second, and Britt taking the third by a knockout. In 1909 he fought Freddie Welsh 10 rounds in London, losing the decision. After an Australian trip, Summers went home and entered the welterweight division. He was knocked out by Harry Lewis and Dixie Kid, the American negro, but persevered until he won the Lord Londale welter champion belt. He returned to Australia in 1913, and was twice defeated by Harry Stone, of New York. 1797.—Tom Johnson, heavyweight champion of England, died in Dublin.

The people at Washington seem to be pleased to see the White House lighted up after 9 p. m.

Senator Johnson, of South Dakota, is confined to his bed as a result of a fall.

FUNERAL DESIGNS AND BOUQUETS, JOHN RECK & SON.